(4) Draft Rule under the Madras Motor Vehicles Taxation Act, 1931.

The Hon. Sri R. VENKATARAMAN : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I move—

" That the following draft of a rule proposed to be made by the Government under sub-section 1 of section 17 of the Madras Motor Vehicles Taxation Act, 1931 (Madras Act III of 1931) amending Schedule II to the said Act, be approved :—

Draft Rule.

In the said Schedule, in item 1, for the figures and letters '408 Kgs. ', the figures and letters '600 Kgs. ' shall be substituted ".

கனம் உதவி சபாநாயகர் அவர்களே, இப்பொழுது மத்திய சர்க்காரிலே மூன்று சக்கரங்கள் போட்ட வண்டிகள் எல்லாவற்றையும் மோட்டார் சைக்கிள்களாக கிளாஸிபை பண்ண வேண்டுமென்று சொல்லியிருக்கிறார்கள். த்ரீ வீலர்ஸ் வண்டிகளை மோட்டார் சைக்கிள்களாகச் செய்யும்பொழுது அதனுடைய கன அளவு, அதாவது வெயிட், எவ்வளவு இருக்கவேண்டுமென்று குறிப்பிடப்பட்டிருக்கிறது. கன அளவை 900 பவுண்டிலிருந்து 1,300 பவுண்டாக உயர்த்தவேண்டுமென்று விதி ஏற்படுத்தி இருக்கிறார்கள். அன்லேடன் வெயிட் ஆப் தி மோட்டார் சைக்கிள் 408 லிருந்து 600 கிலோ கிராமாக உயர்த்தவேண்டுமென்று சொல்லியிருக்கிறார்கள். நாம் நம்முடைய விதிகளை அவர்களுடைய விதிகளுக்கு ஒத்ததாகச் செய்யப் போகிறோம்.

The motion was put and carried.

(5) Draft Amendment to Rule under the Madras Estates (Abolition and Conversion into Ryotwari) Act, 1948.

The Hon. Sri V. RAMAIAH : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I move—

" That the following draft amendment to the rules published with Revenue Department Notification, dated the 21st December 1949 at pages 397–398 of the rules supplement to Part I of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated the 27th December 1949, as subsequently amended, which it is proposed to make in exercise of the powers conferred by section 40 (1) of the Madras Estates (Abolition and Conversion into Ryotwari) Act, 1948 (Madras Act XXVI of 1948) be approved ':—

Draft Amendment.

In the said rules, for sub-rule (1) of rule 6, the following sub-rule shall be substituted, namely :—

" (1) Any sum payable to a religious, educational or charitable institution under sub-section (1) of section 38 as tasdik allowance, or under sub-section (2) of that section to make good the deficiency referred to in that sub-section in respect of any fasli year commencing from the fasli year in which the basic annual

sum referred to in the said sub-section (1) is finally determined, shall be made in cash direct from the sub-treasury of the taluk in which the village is situated, disbursement from the beriz being permitted only in cases where the disbursing officer deems it expedient to direct the disbursement from the beriz of the village in consideration of the smallness of the amount involved, or for any other adequate reason ".

The necessity for this amendment arose in this way. According to the existing rules, the payment of tasdik allowance and additional compensation payable under the Madras Estates (Abolition and Conversion into Ryotwari) Act, 1948 (Madras Act XXVI of 1948), is made by deductions from the beriz of the village and in cases in which it cannot be so paid, payment is made in cash from the sub-treasury of the taluk in which the village is situated. In actual administration of the rules, it has been found that the amounts payable to the institutions are very appreciable and it is not possible to pay even the entire tasdik allowance from the beriz of the village. Further, it has to be pointed out that in most cases, the payments do not depend upon the village collections at all and that they are fixed amounts and have to be paid irrespective of the collections made in the villages concerned. It is therefore considered necessary to amend sub-rule (1) of rule 6 of the rules framed under section 40 (1) of the said Madras Act XXVI of 1948 suitably so as to provide for payments direct from the sub-treasury, disbursement from the beriz being permitted only in cases where the disbursing officer deems it expedient to direct the disbursement from the beriz of the village in consideration of the smallness of the amounts involved or for any other adequate reason.

The amendment relates to a question of administrative nature and it is a simple one.

Sri C. Chiranjeevulu Naidu : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, the tasdik allowance payable to the religious and charitable institutions under the Madras Estates Abolition Act is not adjusted for years together and the payment has been pending for a very long time. Many of these institutions are suffering from inadequacy of funds. Repeated representations in this regard have not produced any good result. Government may issue necessary instructions to the Board of Revenue to take expeditious action in the matter of payment of tasdik allowance to the religious and charitable institutions.

The Hon. Sri V. Ramaiah : The hon. Member is referring to the entire question of tasdik allowance. That should be dealt with separately.

The motion was put and carried.

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